

ST. JOSEPH ISLAND FREE METHODIST CHURCH
SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
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A Sermon and Small Group Series on
BUILDING BRIDGES
How to Handle Conflict in Your Relationships



#1 THE NATURE OF CONFLICT

Based on the message given by Pastor Adrian Collins on Sunday January 21, 2018. It can be listened to at www.islandfmc.ca

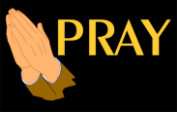
1. Read James 4:1-3. What causes the quarrels and fights among you? Has that been your experience? Are there any other things you would add to what James says?

2. Read Genesis 2:15-17 and 3:1-13. How did sin enter the world? What conflicts resulted from this? How do you see the consequences of this in the world today?

3. Do you think every conflict results from someone's sinful choice? Or can conflict emerge without the presence of sin? Can you think of an example of a conflict without sin?

4. Read Galatians 5:16-26. Reflect on times when the sinful nature prevailed during conflict. What happened? Reflect on times when the Holy Spirit prevailed during conflict. What happened? How can Christians be increasingly winning this battle in their lives?

5. Reflect on this quote from Ken Sande “The Bible teaches that we should see conflict neither as an inconvenience nor as an occasion to force our will on others, but rather as an opportunity to demonstrate the love and power of God in our lives”.



Ask each person for any prayer requests. Pray for those requests, and close by asking the Lord to give us the power to forgive others.

Prayer Requests

